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CLASS OF 1975

Region of Current Residence

New York	7.5%
Mid-Atlantic	12
South	5.5
Ohio	6
Indiana	3
Illinois	7.5
West North Central	5.5
Northwest	5.5
California	7.5
Michigan (Wayne & Oakland counties)	14
Michigan (other Eastern counties)	7
Michigan (Western & Northern counties)	11.5
Hawaii	1
Southwest	2
New England	4
Foreign country	0.5

Population of City in Which Respondent Works

Under 25,000	5.5%
25,000-100,000	11.5
100,000-200,000	13.5
200,000-500,000	9.5
500,000-1,000,000	26.5
Over 1 million	33.5

Population of City in Which Respondent was Raised

Under 25,000	26%
25,000-100,000	18
100,000-200,000	9
200,000-500,000	10.5
500,000-1,000,000	11.5
Over 1 million	24.5

Source of Income While in Law School

	<u>Most Important</u>	<u>2nd Most Important</u>	<u>3rd Most Important</u>
Family	52%	12%	9.5%
GI Bill or veterans benefits	5.5	10.5	2
Savings from pre-law earnings	10.5	20.5	24
Earnings during law school years	13	35	38
U-M administered loans	9	7	11.5
U-M scholarships	3.5	7.5	4.5
Non-U-M loans (special interest rate)	6	7	9
Commercial loans	0.5		1

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Average Number of Hours Worked Per Week Each Year While in Law School

	<u>First Year</u>	<u>Second Year</u>	<u>Third Year</u>
None	64%	41.5%	39%
Less than 10	12.5	17.5	16.5
10-15	11.5	21	19
16-20	6.5	12	13
More than 20	6	8	12.5

Principal Occupation

Lawyer - Private practice or law firm	184	65%
Lawyer - Salaried, other than law firm	75	26.5
Government - U.S.	14	19
State	11	15
County	7	9.5
City	5	7
Unspecified	3	4
Organization for Profit	26	35
Other	8	11
Education	7	2.5
Teaching law - College level	4	57
Law School	3	43
Other -	18	6.5
Sole or co-proprietor	1	5.5
Employee, supervisory	6	33.5
Employee, non-supervisory	2	11
Government	2	11
Other	7	39

Job Function if Salaried Employee (excluding educators)

General Manager	1	1%
Industrial relations or personnel	2	2
International trade	1	1
President	3	3.5
Vice President	3	3.5
Underwriting, financial	1	1
Trust & Estate specialist	2	2
Other	12	13.5
Legal staff, corporate or government	64	72
General counsel	19	31
Trial specialist	14	23
Patent counsel	1	1.5
Tax counsel	5	8
Legislation counsel	2	3.5
Other	20	33

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Number of Other Lawyers in your Office or Department

None	8.5%
1-3	11
4-7	13.5
8-15	16
16-30	12.5
31-50	9.5
Over 50	28.5

Number of Firms or Organizations Since Law School

1	42%
2	36
3	16.5
4	4.5
5	0.5

Type of Private Practice

Sole practitioner	6.5%
Member of a partnership or P.C.	30
Sole practitioner in non-partnership	6
Employee of partnership of P.C.	57.5

Years in Private Practice

1	7%
2	7
3	9
4	10
5	64.5
6	2.5

Reason for not Working in the Field of Law

To engage in work involving more public service	16.5%
Wanted to work in business or corporate management	33.5
Need for greater intellectual stimulation	5.5
Could not advance further in old job	5.5
Need for less pressure on job	5.5
Dissatisfied with doing legal work	11
Returned to school for further education	5.5
Other	16.5

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Area of Specialty

Administrative Law	7%
Banking & Commercial Law	5.5
Corporations & Business Counseling	12.5
Criminal Law	7
Labor Law	6.5
Real Property	7.5
Taxation	8.5
Trial, General	15.5
Trial, Negligence	5

Course Offerings that should be Increased

Decreased

Administrative Law	5%	2.5%
Business Planning	14.5	2
Clinical Law	17.5	5.5
Commercial Law (Inc. Creditor's Rights)	7.5	0.5
Constitutional Law	0.5	0.5
Contracts & Remedies	5	No decrease
Corporations (including Securities)	10	1
Criminal Law	0.5	2
Environmental Law	3	1.5
Estate Planning	3	2
Family Law	2	1
Individually supervised research	5.5	3
Jurisprudence (Inc. Legal History)	4.5	5
Labor Law	0.5	No decrease
Legal Writing & Advocacy	20	No decrease
Municipal Law	3	1
Non-law courses	9.5	5.5
Procedure & Evidence	9.5	No decrease
Professional Responsibility	7	0.5
International Law	1	3
Real Property	5	0.5
Taxation	3	1.5
Torts & Personal Injury	1.5	0.5
Trial Practice	22.5	1
Welfare Law	1	6
Employee Benefits, ERISA	1.5	
Insurance	0.5	
Energy, oil & gas	0.5	
Negotiation	1	
Psychology & Interpersonal Relations	0.5	

Year Began Law School

1965-71	9%
1972	72.5
1973	18.5

Term Began Law School

Fall	77%
Summer	23

Law School Month of Graduation

May	73%
August	14.5
December	12.5

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Undergraduate GPA

2.03-3.17	25.5%
3.18-3.44	25%
3.45-3.65	26%
3.66-4.20	24%

LSAT

388-629	24.5%
630-;680	25
681-719	25
720-800	25.5

ETS Educational Testing Service Index Score

201-300	26.5%
301-317	24
318-327	24.5
328-377	25

Birthyear

1918-48	38%
1949	16.5
1950	33.5
1951-52	12

Number of Children when Respondent Started Law School

None	94.5%	1	3.5%
Some	5.5	2	1.5
		3	0.5

Year Undergraduate Degree Received

1939-68	19.5%
1969-70	15
1971	16.5
1972	43
1973	6.5

U-M Law School GPA

	First Year	Second Year	Final
1.69-2.75	36%	27%	23%
2.76-2.99	16	17	17
3.00-3.39	27.5	33.5	35.5
3.40-4.50	20.5	22.5	25

Dollar Obligations

None	70%
1-1500	10
1500-4000	10.5
4,000-8,000	9

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Gift Percent Obligations

0%	52%
2-5%	30.5
5.1-138%	17.5

Income from Principal Occupation for Past Year

0-25,000	14.5%
25,000-30,000	11.5
30,000-35,000	17
35,000-40,000	20.5
40,000-50,000	22.5
Over 50,000	13

What Part of Law School Training Contributing Most Meaningfully

Legal research & writing skills	15%
Specific skills course	10.5
Specific Substantive course	35.5
Development of thinking process	33.5
Learning to operate under pressure	2
Interaction with faculty outside class	1
Interaction with other students	2.5
Clearking & Research Asst. work	0.5

Participation in Post-Graduate Education

None	50.5%
Post-JD law degree	3
Continuing Legal Education	37
Non-law Masters degree	3
Non-law Doctorate degree	0.5
Other	6

Special Problems Because of Race, Sex, Religion or Nationality Group

None	86%
Sex	8
Race	4.5
Both	1.5

Working Full/Part Time

Full	97%
Part time	3

Marital Status

Married	73.5%
Never married	17.5
Divorced, separated or spouse deceased	8.5
Living with person of opp. sex	0.5

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How does spouse feel about your career

Highly supportive	52.5%
Supportive	41
Neutral	3.5
Somewhat negative	2.5
Very negative	0.5

Number of Children Respondents Have

None	50.5%
1	24.5
2	16.5
3	7.5
4	1

Combining Work with Family Responsibilities

With ease	19.5%
With some difficulty	57
With great difficulty	9.5
No substantial family responsibilities	14

Sex of Respondent

Female	16.5%
Male	83.5

Range of Income for Past Year from Principal Occupation

Below \$10,000	1.5%
10,000-15,000	2
15,000-20,000	3
20,000-25,000	8
25,000-30,000	11.5
30,000-35,000	17
35,000-40,000	20.5
40,000-50,000	22.5
50,000-75,000	10.5
Over 75,000	2.5

Career Plans When Entering Law School

None	38%
Small firm practice	20.5
Large Firm practice	12.5
Government service	10.5
Legal Aid	4
Litigation	5.5
Public interest law	5
International law	2.5
Criminal defense work	2

Presently Fulfilling that Aspiration

Yes	55%
No	45

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If you changed courses, was the change a wise choice

Yes	97.5%
no	2.5

Overall Satisfaction with Your Career Today

Very satisfied	46%
Somewhat satisfied	45
Neutral	4
Somewhat dissatisfied	4
Very dissatisfied	0.5

Member of a Minority Group

No	81%
Black	6.5
Hispanic, Latino, Chicano, Puerto Rican	0.5
Asian, Oriental	0.5
Other nationality	0.5
Jewish	5
Other religion	0.5
Other, including facetious responses	5.5

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Sex/Gender

Female	16.5%
Male	83.5

Marital Status at Time of Application

Not married	75%
Married	25

Number of Children at Time of Application

None	94.5%
1	3.5
2	1.5
3	0.5

Region of Parents' Residence

New York	8.5%
Mid-Atlantic	9.5
South	8.5
Ohio	7
Indiana	4
Illinois	6.5
West North Central	7.5
Northwest	2.5
California	1.5
Michigan (Wayne & Oakland counties)	18.5
Michigan (other Eastern counties)	5.5
Michigan (Western & Northern counties)	15.5
Southwest	2
New England	3
Foreign country	0.5

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Father's Occupation

Attorney	27	9%
Professional or managerial	149	51
Other white collar occupations	65	22.5
Blue collar	42	14.5
Other	9	3

Mother's Occupation

Attorney	1
Professional or managerial	10
Other white collar	18
Blue collar	2
Homemaker	8
Other	3

Ethnicity/Race

Black/Afro American	8%
Hispanic/Latino/Spanish-American	1.5
Asian/Oriental	0.5
White/Caucasian	90

Undergraduate School

University of Michigan	25.5%
Other state-supported colleges in Mich	13
State-supported colleges in other states	17
Ivy League and Seven Sisters schools	14
Other private schools	30
Foreign schools	0.5
Service academies	0.5

Undergraduate Major

Humanities	31.5%
Social Sciences	34.5
Natural Sciences & Math	5.5
Business and Economics	19.5
Engineering & Computer	4
Other	5

Undergraduate Honors

None	14.5%
Phi Beta Kappa	12.5
Other	73

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Graduate School Attended

University of Michigan	20
Other state-supported colleges in Mich	2
State-supported colleges in other states	8
Ivy League and Seven Sisters schools	6
Other private schools	8
Foreign schools	4

Graduate Major

Humanities	44%	21
Social Sciences	6.5	3
Natural Sciences	8.5	4
Business & Economics	19	9
Engineering	12.5	6
Other	10.5	5

Graduate Degree Obtained

None	1
Masters	43
Doctorate	3
Other	1

Post-Undergraduate School Occupation

None	58.5%
Professional/managerial	3
White collar	9
Blue collar	3
Homemaker	1.5
Armed forces, police, fire, postal	12
Other	13

Whether Transfer from Another Law School

Yes	4.5%
No	95.5

Future Plans at Time of Admission

None	17%
Traditional law practice	52
Non-traditional law practice	16
Teaching, politics, government	10.5
House counsel for corporation	4.5

Number of Business and Tax Courses Taken

None	0.5%
1	1.5
2	2.5
3	10.5
4	22.5
5	23
6	22
7	13
8 or more	4.5